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SUBJECT: EARLY WARNING; NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS; ELECTRA DEL

VIESGO

REFS: BRUSSELS 2115, MADRID 1775 (72)

- 1. ELECTRA DEL VIESGO ANNOUNCED ITS APPLICATION TO GOS FOR CERTIFICATION OF 900 MEGAWATT NUCLEAR POWER PLANT ON NORTH COAST BETWEEN SAN VICENTE DE BARQUERA AND PESUES. GROUND BREAKING PLANNED FOR WITHIN EIGHTEEN MONTHS AFTER TECHNICAL STUDIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS APPROVED. ENTRY ON LINE OF FIRST UNIT PLANNED FOR 1980 WITH POSSIBILITY FOR EXPANSION TO TOTAL OF FOUR UNITS.
- 2. ELECTRA DEL VIESGO ALSO ANNOUNCED INTENTION ADD FOUR GROUPS OF REVERSIBLE PUMPING GENERATING UNITS AT EXISTING TORINA DAM AND RESERVOIR BETWEEN CORRALES AND REINOSA. CAPACITY REPORTEDLY 300 MEGAWATTS. PLANNED CONSTRUCTION OF A SECOND, HIGHER, DAM WOULD ADD 500 MEGAWATTS OF GENERATING CAPACITY. TOTAL COST ESTIMATED AT TWENTY TWO MILLION DOLLARS WITH WORK SCHEDULED TO BEGIN BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

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3. FOR BRUSSELS: RE YOUR 2115 ON ASCO NUMBER TWO, WESTINGHOUSE TELLS US THEY HAVE SECOND UNIT ALL WRAPPED UP AND ONLY UNCERTAINTY IS QUESTION SITING, EITHER AT ASCO OR VANDELLOS. EXEMBANK PRELIMINARY COMMITMENT TO FOUR SPANISH UTILITIES WHICH WILL OPERATE ASCO NUMBER TWO WAS ISSUED SEPT 1972.
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